

### It is still Mother's Day

Charles Swindoll wrote an article entitled "The Greatest Influence." He talks about the value of moms and their contributions to our families as well as society as a whole. He reflected with gratitude upon what he valued most in his own mom:

*"As I think of my own mother's influence on me, two words come to mind: class and zest. My mother, being a classy lady, was determined to keep our family from being ignorant of the arts or lacking in social graces. I have her to thank for my love of artistic beauty, fine music, which fork to use, and no gravy on my tie. She also possessed such a zest for life. I am indebted to her for my enthusiasm and relentless drive. Her indomitable spirit got passed on, thank goodness."*

I'm continuing the Wednesday evening series "Words that Shape and Form." A recent Bible Study focused on the word "faithfulness" and that this fruit of the Spirit wasn't typically one of the more notable ones. Faithfulness is one of those quiet attributes, expressed oftentimes in 'behind the scenes' ways as to not draw attention to oneself. Faithfulness keeps showing up, and expresses devotion to God as well as others who are part of our lives.

Some of the greatest examples of faithfulness I know are our mothers. My own mother raised four of us children on her own and did whatever she had to in order to provide for our family. It was not easy for her, but she committed herself to making sure we all had an education and were in a position to better ourselves afterwards.

I am thankful for her tireless efforts in that role, and believe that there are many of you also who have similar stories of your own moms. Several of you shared stories and memories of your moms during our Bible study on faithfulness. It's amazing how these experiences shape our lives, and hearing about them allows our church family to grow closer together as a result.

I know "Mother's Day" was last Sunday, and hope that you had a great time celebrating that day with your family and friends. Our worship service included recognitions for our mothers and all women for their influence and investment in our lives. Andrew and Amy Sherrill also dedicated themselves and their baby boy Lucas to the Lord and to the church. I know you'll join me in encouraging them and enjoying seeing Lucas grow through the years.

For many people, the greatest influence on their lives can be traced to their mothers. So, even though the official holiday was last Sunday, let us make sure to continue expressing gratitude and thanking God for godly mothers.

Your pastor and friend,  
Danny

Dear Friends at UHBC,  
Thank you sincerely for every expression of love—phone calls, visits, cards, flowers, but especially your thoughts and prayers—during Barclay's recent stay in Skagg's Hospital then in Cox Hospital and finally at home in connection with his heart condition that required a pacemaker. Now—for the first time ever—his heart is in rhythm!  
God Bless You One and All,  
Jean and Barclay

Several weeks ago we had 60 reservations for Wednesday night supper and only 47 people came. Thus we lost \$65 that night. Sometimes we have more people show up than have reservations and it difficult to serve the last people who come. Please help us by being sure your permanent reservations are as you want them, mark changes in your reservations in the Friendship book or call us about last minute changes.  
- Food Service Committee

### YOU ARE INVITED!

**Church-wide Picnic, Wednesday, May 26**  
5:30 p.m. at Phelps Grove Park



The church will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a side dish or dessert.

There will be games for the kids and fun for everyone!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ # Children: \_\_\_\_\_

I will bring a side dish: \_\_\_\_\_ I will bring dessert: \_\_\_\_\_

Please place completed form in offering plate or you may turn it into the church office.



### FROM THE HEART

This month we traditionally celebrate Mother's Day. The ancient Romans and Greeks celebrated it, but a more recent history shows us that the day dates back to the 1600s in England. There, a "Mothering Sunday" was celebrated on the fourth Sunday of Lent to honor mothers. Here in our country, Woodrow Wilson signed a resolution designating the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day on May 8, 1914. It is my hope that we take time this month to remember all that mothers have done for us. There is a Jewish Proverb that states, "God could not be everywhere and therefore he made mothers."

Gerry Buyan  
May Deacon of the Month

### Staff Anniversaries May, 2010

Janet Hill celebrates the beginning of her eighth year with UHBC.

Julie Inmon celebrates 16 years with UHBC.

Crisis Prayer Chain List is available on the table in the Narthex or in the church office.

Nancy Brown, Chairperson

### Thank You!

Thank you for the cards and flowers, Thank you for the countless hours spent in prayer and gracious calls; thank you for the tasty dishes and your thoughtful get-well wishes—thanks for walking St. John's halls, thanks for being there, y-all.

Thank you for your support before, during and after Jerry's surgery. You've been wonderful and we appreciate you!

Tania & Jerry Gray

Thank you cards from Grand Oak Missions and Rountree School are posted in the Narthex.

*Our sincere "Thank You" for all the expressions of love and encouragement through your calls, cards, food, and flowers.*

*Our deepest gratitude for your faithful and on-going prayer support during these months of Norma's health issues. We praise God for our wonderful Pastor Danny and UHBC family that we cherish! You are the best!!*

With our love,  
Phil and Norma Jones

### DEACONS OF THE MONTH

#### May 2010

Gerry Buyan  
Jennifer Goode

#### A.R.M.S. VOLUNTEERS

#### May 16-22

Loren & Norma Denney: 864-6090

#### May 23-29

Jim & LaReva Newcomer: 881-3417

#### BREAD MINISTRY

#### May 23

Bob Perry & Marilyn Nelson

#### May 30

Dana Brown & Reba Parker

### SUNDAY'S REPORT

#### May 2, 2010

Sunday School	206
Morning Worship	227
Budget Offering	\$18,276.48

#### May 9, 2010

Sunday School	201
Morning Worship	247
Budget Offering	\$9,686.51

We are now giving at  
91.15% of our budget

### MENUS

Each meal includes soup,  
salad bar, bread & dessert

#### May 12

Taco Bar with Fixins, Corn  
Serving Group: Hathcock

#### May 19

Sweet-n-Sour Chicken/Cashew  
Chicken, Rice,  
Oriental Vegetables  
Serving Group: Bernhard

### Happy Birthday!



5/17 Donna Blakey  
5/17 Jerry Spradling  
5/18 Danny Chisholm  
5/18 Philip Hood  
5/19 June Baker  
5/19 Ola Mae Christy  
5/20 Jerry Murphree  
5/22 Laura Jones

### Prime Time Night of BBQ and Bingo

May 20, 6:00 p.m.

May 20 at 6:00 is the time for an evening of BBQ sandwiches and group Bingo games in Fellowship Hall. A meal will be provided for a low price of \$3.00 and the games will be free. We ask everyone to bring a wrapped "white elephant" item to help with the bingo prizes. Musical entertainment is also being planned. Prime Time activities are available to people of all ages. Please let us know how to prepare by May 18.

BBQ and Bingo Registration May 20

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number in your group \_\_\_\_\_